

**VALUE ADDED FINANCE AUTHORITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
December 27, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. CST
S.D. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Joe Foss Building, 3rd Floor, SDDA Conference Room
523 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre SD 57501**

*Value Added Finance Authority meets on the last Thursday of each month to approve/disapprove applications for the **Beginning Farmer Bond Program (BFBP)**, **Agribusiness Bonding Program (AgBBP)**, and the **Livestock Nutrient Management Bond Program (LNMBP)**, and to issue Bonds for previously approved applicants. These programs enable lenders and individuals to receive federally tax-exempt interest with respect to a loan or contract sale. The Value Added Finance Authority also oversees the **Value Added Agribusiness Re-lending Program (VAARP)**. This program assists in community development projects, the establishment of new business, expansion of existing business, creation of employment opportunities or saving existing jobs, and adding value to South Dakota agricultural commodities through further processing or marketing. **The public may listen to and participate in the meeting at the above location or by teleconference. Dial-in Number: 866.410.8397 Conference Code: 6579820148.***

AGENDA:

- 8:00 a.m.
1. Call to Order of General Meeting and Public Hearing.
 2. Roll Call.
 3. Introduce Paul Kostboth, Division Director.
 4. Approve the Agenda.
 5. Approve minutes of November 29, 2012 general meeting.

Approve Bond Application and Bond Resolution A.

6. Robert & Lois Ragatz, BFBP #2-0078.

New Loan Application(s), Loan Review(s), and Bond Resolution(s).

7. VAARP Loan Updates.
8. Executive Session to discuss borrower financial information and to consult with legal counsel or discuss confidential communications from legal counsel, as necessary.
9. Report from Executive Session.
10. Approve Chairman's report from Executive Session.
11. Action from Executive Session.

Other Business

12. Next regularly scheduled meeting via teleconference – January 31, 2013.
13. Adjourn.

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